

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of]	
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Martin ZIMMERMANN et al.]	
]	Group Art Unit 3681
Serial No.:]	
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Filing Date: November , 2003]	Examiner: T. Lewis
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For: TRANSMISSION SYSTEM COMPRISING]	
A SHIFTING DEVICE]	

PRELIMINARY MENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, and before the calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are identified on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are described on page 32 of this paper. Attached hereto following page 16 are a set of replacement formal drawing sheets and a set of annotated drawing sheets that show in red the changes that are included on the replacement formal drawing sheets.

Remarks are provided on page 33 of this paper.